

## U.S. Embassy Bahrain

### Message for U.S. Citizens - December 28, 2011

**The U.S. Embassy has noted a persistent increase in demonstrations along the Budaiya Highway corridor. Even peaceful demonstrations can lead to severe traffic disruptions, effectively restricting travel for those living in that area. The inability to leave one's home for an extended period is not only an inconvenience but also poses safety and security concerns. In the near future, Embassy personnel who rely on Budaiya Highway for their daily commutes will be moving to different neighborhoods.**

U.S. citizens traveling and residing abroad should enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) (STEP). U.S. citizens without internet access may enroll directly at the U.S. Embassy. By enrolling, U.S. citizens make it easier for the Embassy to contact them in case of emergency.

For the latest security information, U.S. citizens living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department of State's [Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet website](#) at <http://travel.state.gov>, where the current Worldwide Caution, [Country Specific Information for Bahrain](#), [Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts](#) can be found. The U.S. Embassy also encourages U.S. citizens to review "[A Safe Trip Abroad](#)," which includes valuable security information for those living and traveling abroad. Follow us on [Twitter](#) and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on [Facebook](#) as well. You can also download our free [Smart Traveler iPhone App](#) to have travel information at your fingertips. Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, for callers outside the United States and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

The U.S. Embassy in Manama can be reached at (973) 1724-2700; the afterhours emergency number is (973) 1724-2957; the fax number is (973) 1725-6242. The Embassy's [web site](#) includes travel information and the Worldwide Caution and [Demonstration Notices](#), and can be found at <http://Bahrain.USEmbassy.Gov>. The Consular Section can be reached at [ManamaConsular@state.gov](mailto:ManamaConsular@state.gov).